

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	RICHAUD et al.
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RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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In response to the Office Action mailed 14 April 2008, Applicant requests that the application be reconsidered in view of the accompanying remarks. No new material has been added.

Applicant requests early and favorable action on claims 16-30.